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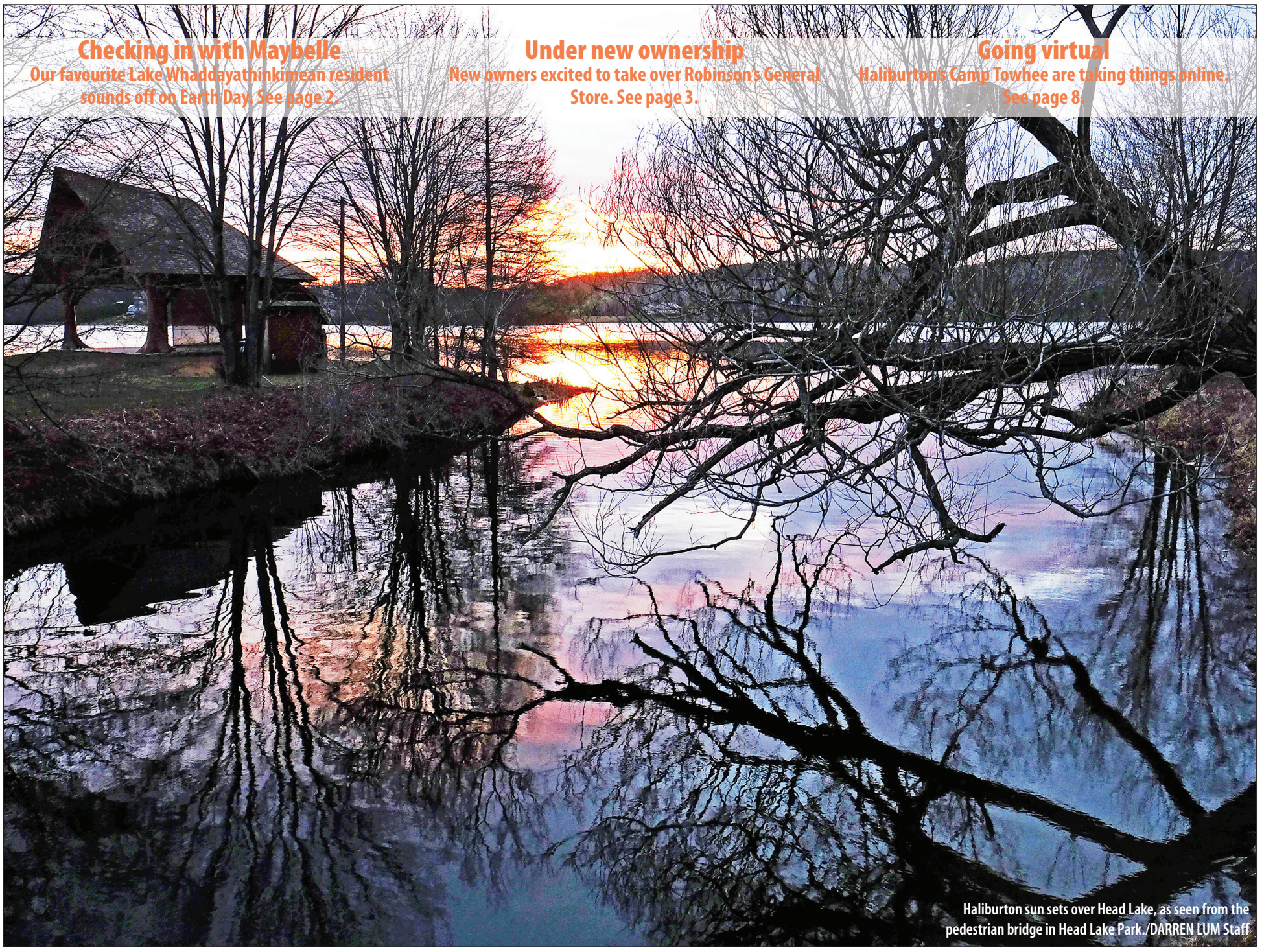

## Checking in with Maybelle

Our favourite Lake Whaddayathinkimean resident sounds off on Earth Day. See page 2.

## Under new ownership

New owners excited to take over Robinson's General Store. See page 3.

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Haliburton sun sets over Head Lake, as seen from the pedestrian bridge in Head Lake Park./DARREN LUM Staff

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# Let's make every day Earth Day, don'tcha know!

*Maybelle's* **Fireside stories**

So, there we were, ol' Maybelle, Beanpole Starkman, Twindle Mumbly, Vilma Yuccch, and her sweetie, Officer Stanley Penelope McBottom (McB for short, which he isn't. He's a towering hunk of a man with a jaw so chiselled you could crack an egg on it) sitting six feet apart out back of my cottage, masked like bandits, talking about Earth Day in Canada, don'tcha know.

"This year's theme is: Let's take care of our planet," Beanpole said. "But, as far as I'm concerned, in order to do that, Earth Day shouldn't just be on April 22, it needs to be *every* day!"

"I totally agree, Beanpole," I said. "There's a lot we can do right in our own home and we need to make a habit of it."

"There is?" Vilma said, her baby blues as big as saucers.

"Sure, Vilma," Officer McB said, wrapping his big man arm around her. "Like *what*, Maybelle?"

"Like food…energy…waste …"

Twindle piped in. "And nature. Like growing your own vegetable garden. And herbs. And growing plenty of flowers for the pollinators. Using natural fertilizers instead of chemical ones. Using your compost as a natural fertilizer. It not only creates healthy soil, it makes your plants happy."

"We can do that. Stanley."

"And, when you two take those lovely long walks of yours," ol' Maybelle said, "take some empty bags along and collect the garbage you see on the ground. Tin cans, plastic bags, bottles. They can make the birds and critters sick and it's just plain nasty for the environment."

"We can do that, too, Stanley."

"Now let's talk: Food," Twindle said. "Now it's a known fact that livestock farming is responsible for almost 15 per cent of global greenhouse gas emissions, 63 per cent of deforestation in the Amazon rainforest, over-consumption of water, and depletion of soil, not to mention the suffering of animals. So, there's quite a case to be made for eating vegetarian."

"*Vegetarian?* Now wait just a minute, Twindle. There's no way I'm going to give up a good rib-eye once a week," McB spouted.

"But, Stanley," Vilma said, "the planet needs our help."

He always turns to mush when she flutters her lashes. "Then again … I like squash."

"Now here's a statistic for you," ol' Maybelle said. "Right here in Canada, 58 per cent of food is discarded somewhere along the food chain. Instead of throwing out leftovers or vegetables that are softening but are still good to eat…we can make soups, freeze and store it properly.

"Sounds good, Maybelle," McB said. "And, I want you to know, I've been making Earth Day every day for a long time. I always replace my light bulbs with low-energy bulbs that consume 80 per cent less electricity than conventional light bulbs."

"Ohhh, Stanley," Vilma purred as if he had just climbed Mount Kilimanjaro.

"And there are more and more items available that can help us reduce our consumption of single-use plastics," ol' Maybelle said, "like reusable cups, straws, bags, and containers. During COVID, it can be a bit more difficult to use them but once things return to normal, they will be valuable assets in our zero-waste approach."

Beanpole added: "A great way to cut down on waste is by buying things second-hand. Lake WhaddayathinkImean has great thrift stores, second-hand shops, garage sales. Trading is another way to give and get without tossing things out."

Well, if we didn't all decide to walk the talk and work our ideas into our daily routines, don'tcha know. So, dear reader, in keeping with Earth Day's 2021 theme and our love for this beautiful place we call home: Let's take care of our planet!"

*Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden. Jerelyn's books, "Vessie Flamingo Outshining the Moon," and "Maybelle's Cure for What Ails You" are available at amazon.com*

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# Beloved Dorset store under new ownership

SUE TIFFIN

*Local Journalism Initiative Reporter*

In a video posted to the Robinson's General Store Facebook page, Brad Robinson, right, welcomes Mike and Katie Hinbest as they prepare to become the new owners of the store, after Robinson's family owned and operated the iconic Dorset shopping spot for 100 years. / Screenshot

Mike and Katie Hinbest made a choice to set out to live their most ideal life, and in doing so, will become the owners of the iconic Robinson's General Store in Dorset as of May 1.

The couple moved from Orangeville to Huntsville a few years ago, looking for something different. He worked in automotive repair, owning a Napa Auto Parts store for almost a decade, while she has a background in healthcare as a recreation therapist working to improve the quality of life for patients who have had a stroke or lung disease.

"We realized, we started looking at our life a few years back now, a good three or four years ago, and realizing that Orangeville wasn't as small a community as it used to be, and every time we got a spare moment we always went north. We always came back to Muskoka and to Haliburton and so on," said Mike. He said the couple have a "live your dream" philosophy.

"Don't live one day unhappy," he said. "So we sat back and said, you know what, let's move north and live our dream," he said. "Life's too short."

As they were going through the process of listing their business for sale and beginning to look for a house, Mike's younger brother tragically passed away at the age of 30.

"That really changed our perspective on life - as for anybody, that big shock in life just changes you, and we realized that life is extremely short, and you'd better enjoy what you do every day," said Mike. "Part of us moving up here was for lifestyle, enjoyment, raising our kids [Ethan and Brie] the way we feel they should be and we basically sat back and said, OK, what's next for us, what do we enjoy doing?"

When Mike was young, his family had a cottage in Haliburton on Little Kennisis Lake.

"That's where we first learned of Dorset, actually," he said, noting that he and his family snowmobiled in the area, something he and Katie continued to do years later, cottaging and camping in the Muskoka and Haliburton area.

"We carried the tradition on," said Katie.

That Mike and Katie care about tradition is essential for the community as the Hinbests become the new owners of the beloved store that has been in the Robinson family for 100 years this year, with four generations of the family owning or working in Robinson's General Store, which operates seven days a week, year round.

"In the beginning, the store was a 1,200-square-foot traditional general store, there to service the logging industry and the few locals," reads the website. "It struggled through the depression, then the war years, until 1950 when the first building addition was constructed. After that, whenever the store was able to accumulate a bit of money, another expansion was built. Now, 15 additions later, the store has grown to over 14,000 square feet of retail space."

Mike remembers visiting Robinson's General Store in his youth.

"It's just so surreal to remember

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# Learn about the Highlands' history at the museum

**DARREN LUM**
*County Life* Staff

*Currently, the Haliburton Highlands Museum is closed due to the provincial stay-at-home order. However, when the province lifts the stay-at-home order the museum will once again welcome visitors.*

Take a journey back in time and touch and see the history of the Highlands at the Haliburton Highlands Museum, located at 66 Museum Road, a few minutes from Haliburton village.

Kate Butler, the museum director, said the museum that was founded as the Haliburton Highlands Pioneer Museum in 1967 houses a vast array of historical artifacts from the indigenous peoples and community and those that came to the area to make their fortune through lumber, or to settle and grow a family.

The collection includes the *Haliburton County Echo* printing press; also tools from the past that will leave you scratching your head with its "What is it?" wall and case; hockey artifacts and memorabilia from the past 100 years, which shows the passion for the Canadian winter sport; black and white photos taken in the early-1900s by merchant and hobby photographer Daniel Gorrie, who captured historical highlights such as the first ever automobile sighting at the Grand Central Hotel in the Village of Haliburton, which wasn't received well by the locals according to the Lindsay Daily newspaper; hundreds of taxidermy birds, including dozens in one large glass case, which includes an example of the extinct passenger pigeon last seen in 1914. Learn about what life was like at the turn of last century and the cost of living with how a used car in 1929 would cost anywhere from $85 to $595.

See an example of the fabled Side Hill Gouger, who was a wild-boar with wings.

Shy by nature, the Gouger was forced to exist deep in the woods when settlers came in the late-19th century.

It possesses the unique attributes of having one set of its legs on a side of its body longer than the other to enable it to walk on steep slopes. The disparity of its legs unfortunately forced the Gouger to only walk in one direction, and if forced to turn around it would fall over.

It's wings, Butler said, were not for flight.

"According to the legend though, his wings weren't actually big enough for him to get off the ground [which is probably a good thing!], but the Gouger was known to use them like fins to help it to swim," she wrote in an email.

Note: last week the museum provided the public with its Spring Activity Kits, which included crafts, gardening, scavenger hunts and more. It was recommended for children six to 10 and were by reservation for curb side pick-up this week.

With the case for 42 stuffed birds in the foreground, Haliburton Highlands Museum director Kate Butler cleans the case holding the Sidehill Gouger. /DARREN LUM Staff

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Above, Haliburton Highlands Museum director Kate Butler stands with the old press and related equipment that was used to publish the *Haliburton County Echo*. /DARREN LUM Staff

Left, a Haliburton Huskies jersey is just one of many hockey related artifacts at the Haliburton Highlands Museum. Director Kate Butler said some hockey players resorted to using used newspapers under their socks as shin guards.

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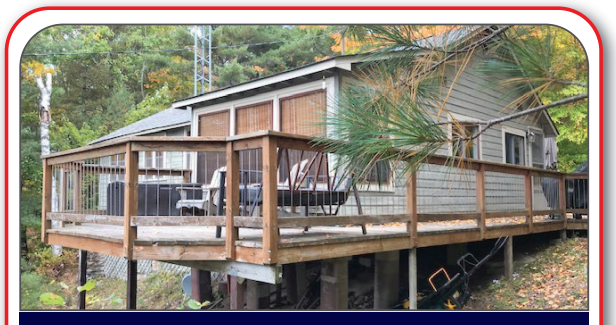

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## How to do a Community-Based Research Project

**AMANDA DUNCOMBE-LEE**
Special to *County Life*

Community-based research (CBR) opportunities are open to all non-profits and businesses in Haliburton County. U-Links facilitates projects in the environmental, economic, social and cultural sectors. Whether you want to calculate the feasibility of a new project, challenge or confirm an assumption, or need follow-up research after an existing project, the goal is to help your organization and the larger community learn more about itself and help make informed decisions.

The following are some recent examples of CBR projects facilitated by U-Links:

- Blue-Green Algae Mitigation Strategies
- Halls Lake Benthic Invertebrate Baseline Health Assessment
- Sustainable Procurement in Haliburton County/ City of Kawartha Lakes
- Patient Demographics and Dental Caries
- Biodiversity Planning and Protection in The Land Between

There are also limited opportunities for community service learning - a form of experiential education that aims to achieve immediate outcomes for community organizations, such as increasing an organization's capacity to achieve a targeted goal (e.g. completing an event, survey, or activity). This type of project is typically best for organizations looking for short project timelines and a number of students. One example of a longstanding community service project is the annual Haliburton-Muskoka-Kawartha Children's Water Festival, which engages a full class of first-year Trent Environmental Science students as well as local community members to help run activity stations, act as greeters, and ensure the day goes smoothly.

If you think you may be interested in hosting a student project, the first step is to call the U-Links office (705-286-2411) or email CBR Program Coordinator Amanda (aduncombe-lee@ulinks.ca) or, if you're part of a lake association, Woodlands & Wetlands Eco-watch Program Coordinator Brendan (bmartin@ulinks.ca). If your research idea fits our criteria, Amanda or Brendan will help you develop your idea into a project proposal. Depending on the subject matter, U-Links staff may also engage a Trent or Fleming faculty member for their input. Projects must involve tangible benefits to the social, environmental, cultural and/or economic health of the community, and the educational value for students must be clearly demonstrated. Projects can be a single academic semester (Sept- Dec) or a two semesters (Sept-April) or if matched with a Fleming program, as short as two months.

Once the proposal is developed, the project promotion stage begins. A summary of the project will go on the U-Links website, where Trent and Fleming students interested in community-based research can visit the site and apply for any projects of interest, with a cover letter, application form and resume. Students must have a minimum 75 per cent average to apply for community-based research projects. Project summaries will also be emailed to faculty so they are aware of which projects are available.

Once a student applies for a project, U-Links staff interview them to learn more about their interest, experience and availability. We then forward the application to you [the host organization] to decide whether you would like to arrange a matching meeting with the student.

After you get the chance to speak with the student and there is agreement on project deliverables, a robust project agreement is created that outlines roles and responsibilities for the host organization, faculty, the student, and U-Links staff. There may also be some additional paperwork that must be signed off by the host organization. Once this is finished, the project can begin.

In addition to their final report or other main deliverable, students are required to complete a poster showcasing their research for the annual U-Links Celebration of Research held every March. Community hosts have the option of receiving a printed copy. Final reports go in the U-Links database and are available to the public for viewing.

Community hosts have the chance to give input on project progress and direction every step of the way, and CBR coordinators provide support to all parties involved in a project.

U-Links is currently accepting project proposals for the 2021-22 term. To ensure that your project is considered for fall matching, we advise that all community host organizations indicate their intention to participate in CBR by the end of June. If your project is needed for the winter term we ask that you contact U-Links by October. However, all project ideas are accepted on an ongoing basis throughout the year. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, some projects not requiring essential fieldwork may need to be designed as desktop research.

We hope to hear from you!

## Top ten times when umbrellas come in handy

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**STEVE GALEA**
Humour Columnist

1. When sitting beside any statue that the pigeons have taken a shine to.
2. When picnicking at the far end of the driving range.
3. When you sense a spontaneous dance number is about to break out.
4. Right after your parachute and secondary chute don't open.
5. When you forgot your fishing net.
6. When you see your boss at the beach after you called in sick.
7. To draw attention away from your derby hat.
8. During any good food fight.
9. When you enjoy sword fighting but faint at the sight of blood.
10. When you manage a talent show and forget your hook.

## Vanishing

Rain draining Sky, staining the steel slate of Lake,
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Winter clinging to Spring,
as I feel a shiver pierce my bones,
watching from the shore,
Lake spilling onto grass, swallowing pebbles
and stones.
I stand still as the willow, as Lake laps against its
trunk,
mesmerized by the mass of white drifting
through Air,
lifting ice crystals from the Lake,
water, dark as earth, receiving Rain,
its fingers drumming on the face of Lake,
as the ghost snakes through Air, without head
or tail,
Lake shedding its skin beneath it,
slithering 'till it evaporates,
its vanishing unveiling the body of Lake,
free to breathe Wind again, drink sunlight when
it comes.
I stand on the shore, wondering about the ghosts
that slink through me,
the ones I've released, the ones I still carry,
wondering whether I will even feel it when
they leave.
Rain pelts the Lake, the reeds, the switches of
willows,
I listen to the soft and hard sound of Rain,
its pulse, steady as a heartbeat, or hands, lashing
the flesh of a drum.
Circles of raindrops spreading in the water,
that's dark as dusk, in the middle of day,
birthing wider and wider circles, dissolving
into one another,
until they encompass the circumference of Lake,
vanishing, as fresh drops fall,
the rhythm of beginning and ending and
beginning again,
thrumming through my Breath,
as I listen to seeds of Rain feed the grass and reeds,
Lake lapping at my feet,
as I watch from the shore,
a seagull circling Sky,
Rain silencing its
flight.

*Sylvie Kalenda*

# Hinbests 'living their dream' after purchasing popular general store

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seeing something as a child, and having no idea that 30 years later you are going to be a part of this, in this community," he said. "It's so cool. It's awesome for that to happen. To see that kind of stuff in life. You just never know."

Mike had sat down to write out ideas of what his dream job might look like, then sat back, list in hand, to brainstorm which businesses might encompass those ideas. It was then he saw that Brad Robinson had listed Robinson's for sale.

"Once I saw it, it was a no-brainer," he said. "It just felt like the place I wanted to be ... It's just so much fun. I love the idea of that iconic, cottage country store that families and generations remember forever and those types of memories are what I really enjoy so just being able to do that for other people is something special and fun."

"Mike is very business-savvy and passionate about things," said Katie. "So, if he really loves something, [he has] a gut feeling, 'I have to do this, I have to be here.'"

"How am I just so lucky that I'm getting to live my dream right now?" he said. "You just feel so fortunate."

Mike said the stories of the past that Brad has shared with him are compelling, and he hopes to be able to uphold the tradition of what Robinson's has nurtured while continuing to offer a "great customer experience."

"It's a pleasure to me to be able to work with the community and figure out what it is we need to do to keep that tradition going," he said.

While much will remain the same, Mike said a new addition to the store's offerings - Affogato Cafe + Gelato - will bring a coffee shop to the building, and he and Katie hope to launch a winter campfire feature to create a destination for snowmobilers.

"The Robinsons always built the store off of, what are you having to drive a half an hour, or drive further away to get," said Mike. "If you're driving away for it, you're taking away from your family time. So can we bring it out to Dorset for you? That's my thoughts with all of it, is focusing on that idea. What do people need? Let's bring that to them. That's our job."

The community response has also been motivating to the Hinbests.

"It's just amazing how supportive the community is," said Mike. "To see that many positive vibes about it, and people willing to help you out, I just love that about this world. It's one of the reasons we moved up north - people hold the door open for you and they say good morning to you, and that just showed that right away, people were like, what do you guys need, what can we help you with? I have yet to see one person who hasn't been totally supportive in trying to help us out."

Both Mike and Katie noted the excellence in staff, who they said are passionate about their work.

"We met with staff and every single one of them cared so much about working at Robinson's, and were so proud and passionate about it," said Katie.

"It was reassuring," said Mike. "There's a reason people love the place, well, it's because the staff do such a good job at it ... Once we talked to them we said, we're so lucky to have people like this to work with."

"It feels so nice to come in to something like that," said Katie.

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# Camp Towhee goes virtual, bringing Haliburton home

**DARREN LUM**
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Like everywhere else in the province during this pandemic, there will be a virtual offering at Camp Towhee, which is looking to bring Haliburton to its young participants wherever they are.

The Child Development Institute (CDI), who run Camp Towhee, has been offering a virtual adaptation of its programming for children and youth in an effort to battle social isolation since last year when the pandemic disrupted in-person sessions in Haliburton.

Without participants coming to the Highlands, the camp will bring Haliburton to the people by showing footage of the area, which was shot last year said Trish McKeough, Camp Towhee camp director and manager of therapeutic recreation programs at CDI.

"A couple of staff went to Towhee and ran a camp fire from Towhee. So that's a more concrete way that kids can feel more connected and I think we're looking to incorporate that more this year," she said.

She said there is the potential to use the Camp Towhee location as a backdrop to their Dungeons and Dragons offering, possibly using the example that Orcs have invaded Camp Towhee, illustrating that point with pictures of the camp.

Since its inception in 1968 Towhee has been improving the mental health of children and youth with learning disabilities; empowering them and giving them independence and a sense of belonging through group exercises and specialized programming, as per information provided by the Child Development Institute. Although there was a brief break in programming last fall, Camp Towhee has been running weekly sessions online since the turn of the year. They are described as an "innovative therapeutic intervention for children and youth with learning disabilities and mental health issues (LDMH)."

McKeough, who has 13 non-consecutive years at Camp Towhee in different capacities, said part of the power of the programming is related to the setting of the Highlands, but also the connections made.

"Part of the magic is Haliburton and part of the magic [is] the connection the kids make to each other and the staff and that's what we're very successful at being able to recreate virtually. Giving kids time to connect with each other and support their connections. Staff do a lot of one-on-one check-ins and chats with kids, so kids have that really important connection to their staff. They're really building that relationship as well," she said.

Camp Towhee, which is operated by the Child Development Institute (CDI), is hoping to bring Haliburton to its virtual programming participants this year. With their April Break session already started this week (April 12 – 16), the camp is described as a "innovative therapeutic intervention for children and youth with learning disabilities and mental health issues." /Photo by Zach Slootsky

Camp Towhee held their summer virtual offerings to fulfill the need for people to have a social outlet and for support. Last year, Camp Towhee offered three two-week daytime sessions for six participants, which were led by two staff. It included Dungeons and Dragons, a food lovers one, called Taste of Towhee, one for movie fans where they watch movies, play movie-based games and then have discussions about the movies, as well as sessions related to leadership and nature.

Dungeons and Dragons is among the most popular sessions they host.

Using a videoconferencing platform like Zoom, participants create their character for the role-playing opportunity, he/she will come up with a back story of their character, determining their strengths and weaknesses, as well as their motivations.

A staff member will play the role of "dungeon master," who narrates the experience, setting the scene and outlining what the "adventure of the day" or the challenge is for that session. This could be defeating a monster, finding a treasure or rescuing someone. The different participant characters' will work together to resolve the challenge.

"The problem will be created in a way that it's big enough that no one character can deal with it on their own, so the kids role play this hero and they work together based on the abilities of their hero to solve the problem," McKeough said.

Another popular session is the Taste of Towhee. It's a cooking program that has been offered at the camp for years. Participants learn how to cook and become comfortable with following a recipe. McKeough said it's an interactive cooking TV show. This is led by a staff member, who communicates before about the dish being made and the required ingredients. There will be 10 sessions, each two hours long, every day for two weeks. The evening programming was open to all participants and included a camp fire and online games such as Sculptionary, which is like Pictionary, but sculpting with Plasticine.

Participation was similar to a typical year at 80 per cent of the usual enrolment.

There was close to 130 registered last summer, 200 for the year with a few repeats, including close to 15 that attended every session.

McKeough said the interesting aspect to this was how some participants registered for the virtual sessions, who never would have considered attending an in-person camp session. After their positive virtual experience, she said, many of these participants have indicated they would go to the camp when possible. Unlike in-person sessions, Camp Towhee allowed participants to be able to enrol in more than one session.

Although she was proud of what the camp was able to provide virtually when they started last year, McKeough admits there was a scramble to organize and implement programming related to the short notice. This year will be different, she said.

"And now with a little more lead time we're able to be a little broader and deeper and consider all options and get lots of feedback from the kids. You know – raise the bar of the programming," she said.

There are still ideas being considered to bring more of Camp Towhee to participants, who take in the virtual offerings, she said.

"We haven't totally landed on that yet, but what can we do from camp? How can we be more intentional about creating that vision and imagery, creating that connection to Towhee," she said.

McKeough said the camp is hopeful for safe in-person meet-ups, whether that's in the city or at the camp in Haliburton, located a few kilometres outside town off of Hwy. 118.

"We're prepping very intensely for virtual and also prepping to be ready to do virtual plus, [which are in-person meetups], if circumstances allow and when circumstances allow," she said. "Time will tell if that is doable."

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# P4P launches project to improve community housing

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*County Life* Staff

County-based affordable housing organization Places for People has received grant funding it will use for a research project aimed at improving conditions in community housing in Minden.

P4P has received $50,000 in funding from the Community Housing Transformation Centre, which is backed by the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation, as part of the country's national housing strategy. P4P will use the funding to conduct a consultation and research process that will bring tenants and community housing providers together, and will entail the hiring of a co-ordinator and researcher. It will include the selection of a resident representative from each of Minden's seven community housing facilities, along with housing providers, to sit on a committee.

As Fay Martin of P4P explained, the project will be one of participative research, which is where people affected by an issue are the ones studying it.

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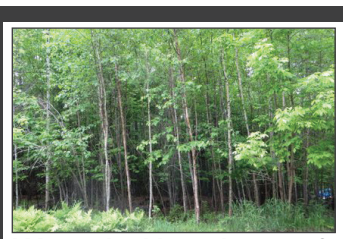

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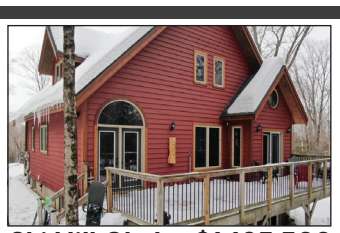

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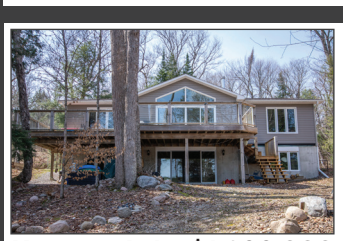

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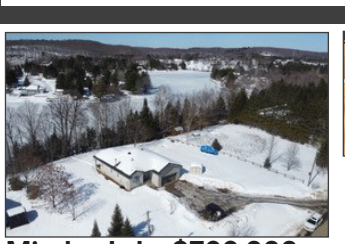

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# Made-in-Minden product coming for e-bike users

**DARREN LUM**
*County Life* Staff

Minden Hills-based company Tekrider is using its decades of expertise manufacturing protective equipment for dirt bikers and snowmobilers to create a protective vest to keep people using e-bikes safe.

Over the last several weeks, the company has created 10 prototypes during the research and development phase of a yet-to-be named vest with similar attributes to their dirt and snow protective Tek Vests. The alterations for e-bike users included reducing the overall size of the vest for mobility and it was designed for the riding position. There will also be greater ventilation, options for hydration and the addition of rows and columns of webbing (often seen on backpacks and military vests), so people can add attachments to hold a mobile phone or a toolkit.

Owner Steve Brand said this new product is directed at protecting older riders, who may be out of shape or haven't ridden in a while and are choosing to ride an e-assist bike.

"We just made phone calls and just went online and [learned] about these 66-year-old people going over the handlebars and breaking six ribs. With the e-assist it doesn't require a level of fitness ... anybody can hop on these things and triple the speed of a pedal bike. They're riding them in the winter because they're not going to Florida. They fall off the track and go over bars. There's lots of accident stories out there," he said.

The cost will be in line with Tekrider's other products and is expected to start close to $400. Sizes will range from children's to XXXL and will be ready to purchase online through Tekrider on May 1. Vests will be shipped mid-May.

There will be two models. One is zippered, and the other is a pullover version, which offers the greatest protection and is suitable for people with previous mid-body injuries.

There are adjustment straps to fine-tune the fit, and there will be options for customization.

After 24 years in business protecting people with their Tek Vests in power sports such as snowmobiling and off-road riding, Brand said it didn't take much effort for his team to shift to protecting e-bike users.

"We're already dressing human bodies in various power sport configurations and this is really no different," he said.

His customers' testimonials over the years are proof of their products' effectiveness.

Brand directs people to the company's Facebook page to learn of a story related to a user who survived a crash. Tekrider's focus is on protecting vulnerable parts of the body.

"Nobody covers as much body area as we do and we focus on the lower left and right abdomen area. I call it the engine room. The area immediately under the rib cage," Brand said. He adds current protective equipment ignores the soft tissue area close to the waist and focuses on protecting the sternum, which he said isn't as vulnerable.

"We have since day one recognized that covering the areas down to the waist line are way more important. That's where the engine room is. That's where the vital organs are. Snap off three ribs and they break inwards and then you have internal organ damage so we've been on top of that for decades," he said.

He said the new product is part of a move that helps the company to diversify, ensure year round employment, and will meet the demands of the growing industry of e-assist bikes.

"That industry dwarfs the power industry, so there could be a scenario where we're actually producing more vests for the bicycle world than our traditional projects, which will be fine because that means we've got year-round jobs, and [didn't] have to lay anybody off in the past few years. The more diversified our product portfolio is, the stronger position we'll be in to attract more people because we have to grow," he said.

According to Brand, the company was also motivated to add a new product because of how the federal government moved to buy personal protective equipment from overseas manufacturers rather than Canadian companies such as Tekrider, who had received approval and altered operations to adjust for the change.

"Top marks for the government for moving fast in setting us up in the first place, but failing grades for not follow-

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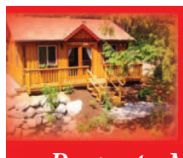
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# Exciting future ahead for Minden-based firm Tekrider

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ing through. They said they were going to never again [be] a slave to overseas production. They quickly dropped that thought," he said.

Current product lines, which include medical PPE, and the potential for the newest vest has Brand excited for the future. He said the company is in the process of adding a building. He believes with more people moving up here that the labour pool can only grow.

Although the current target market is for older riders who commute, there is an eye toward a future with trail riders using their vest. Brand said the company sent out vests to two competitive riders for feedback, as part of this potential direction.

Retired Minden Hills resident Russ Duhaime, 62, is among the test riders, who appreciated the vest following a winter ride in Snowden a few weeks ago.

"Super comfortable," Duhaime told the Times. "It's light and fits well without restricting movements. I could hardly tell I was wearing anything without restricting."

Brand said it's important the public knows the Minden Hills-based company sources all their materials from Canada and the U.S., except for the zipper pulls, which come from overseas.

"If we can take it from North America, we take it from North America," he said.

New safety vests from Tekrider are geared toward e-bike riders. This product is expected to be ready for direct sale from Tekrider in May. For more information see tekrider.com. /DARREN LUM Staff


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**HOUSE CLEANER** needed Mid-May through to September. Sundays from 11-4pm. Pay $20-25/hour. Located 10 minutes from downtown Haliburton. ***Please contact Leanne at 705-927-5801***

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**LOCAL SUMMER CAMP** is looking for seasonal cleaning and maintenance staff May - Oct. Student positions available July to end of Aug. Rates of pay up to $22/hr. Apply by email to ***rob@campnbb.com or call Camp Northland 705-754-2374***

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## 400 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

**Cleaning Services**
**Onondaga Camp, Minden,**
**seeks 5 Staff SEASONAL (2021)**
**Starting at $17.00 /hr and up**

We are looking for Cleaners to care for our facilities by providing a high standard of cleaning and light maintenance duties. The goal is to keep all facilities in a clean and orderly condition. Responsibilities are to clean and stock designated facility areas (disinfecting, dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, restroom cleaning etc.), carry out heavy cleansing tasks and special projects, notify management of occurring deficiencies or needs for repairs, stock and maintain supply rooms, cooperate with the rest of the staff, follow all health and safety regulations, knowledge of cleaning chemicals and supplies, familiarity with Material Safety Data Sheets.

*Up to 48 hour work week Summer (6 days).*
*Daily and Evening shifts available. (June-Sept)*
*NO ACCOMODATION PROVIDED*

**Off Site Driver**

Onondaga Camp, Minden, seeks 1 Staff SEASONAL (2021) **$14.50/hr**

This position does not have daily set hours but is an on-call position generally between the hours of 9am-6pm and will average 6 hrs/day of work at $14.25/hr. This role requires the candidate to live off-site and retrieve the camp vehicle from the camp on a daily basis.

**Responsibilities**

- Pick up prescriptions/supplies as needed for the Health Centre.
- Do a daily 'town run' to pick up supplies that are needed for camp programs or office.
- Pick up supplies in Toronto (or outside of Minden/Haliburton) as needed.
- Handling of incoming and outgoing mail.
- Ensure that vehicles are scheduled and taken for oil changes as needed.
- Ensure the vehicles have adequate gas and fill as necessary.
- Keep vehicles clean and free of garbage.
- Keep the exterior of the vehicles clean; have them washed as needed

**Necessary Qualifications/Competencies**

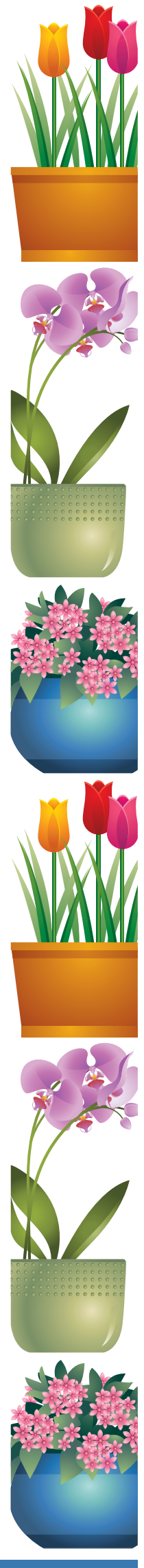
- Full G License & minimum age of 21 years old
- Ability to have a flexible schedule and work independently
- Attention to detail
- Ability to work and communicate with a wide variety of people

*30 – 40 Hour work week*
*June – September Contract*
*NO ACCOMODATION PROVIDED*

*To protect the health and safety of our clients and employees, we have modified our normal operating policies in response to COVID-19.*

*If you wish to apply, please send a resume to Matt Brown/Site Manager at matt@onondagacamp.com. Please feel free to contact at (705-286-5025)*

*A truly Canadian summer tradition, Onondaga Camp offers an extraordinary environment for kids to play, explore, achieve and grow. Situated on the shores of Middle Bob Lake near Minden, Ontario, Onondaga inspires the best in outdoor fun, learning and adventure for girls and boys from six to 16 years old. Onondaga Camp values the diversity of people. We welcome and encourage applications from people with disabilities. Arrangements will be provided, on request, to support candidates taking part in all aspects of the selection process. All responses will be handled with strict confidence.*



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## 520 THANK YOU

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## DYSART ET AL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

**PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT**
**Year round casual Haliburton Welcome Centre Staff**

The Municipality of Dysart et al is seeking year round casual Haliburton Welcome Centre staff to join our team. A detailed job description is available at https://www.dysartetal.ca/en/municipal-government/careers.aspx for your review.

Please submit a resume and cover letter, preferably by email, no later than noon on April 29, 2021 to the attention of Laura Casey, Manager of Human Resources and Payroll at lcasey@dysartetal.ca.

Alternatively, your submission may be mailed to P.O. Box 389, Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0.

We thank all of those who apply, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Accommodations for applicants with disabilities will be provided upon request. The Municipality of Dysart et al is an equal opportunity employer. Personal information is collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used only for employment purposes.

## Marcus Beach

**Marcus Beach Cottage Owners Association**
2459 Kashagawigamog Lake Road
Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0
manager@marcusbeachcottages.ca

705 457 9600

Marcus Beach Fractional Ownership Cottages on Lake Kashagawigamog has a year-round full time maintenance position available. The position is ideal for an independent, self-motivated individual who has knowledge and skills to look after both indoor (19 cottages) and outdoor property maintenance. The successful candidate will be working closely with the property manager and the Association's Board of Directors

The successful candidate would have the following skills and background:

- Small Drinking Water Certificate
- Health & Safety Requirements
- Good physical condition to complete outdoor landscape work
- Water and Septic systems knowledge
- General indoor maintenance as required
- Good communication skills
- Identify preventive maintenance programs and recommend optimal plans

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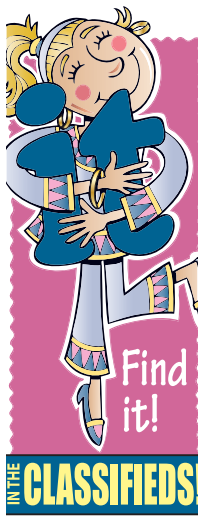


## Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team

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The Haliburton Family Medical Centre and Minden Medical Centre are seeking a **temporary part-time Registered Practical Nurse.** The term of the contract will be six (6) months.
The successful candidate must have excellent organizational skills and be able to work in a fast paced environment. Active membership with RPNAO is mandatory. Previous experience working in a primary care medical clinic will be considered an asset.

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The Haliburton Family Medical Centre and Minden Medical Centre are seeking a **temporary full-time Team Support (receptionist).** The term of the contract will be six (6) months.
The successful candidate must have excellent organizational skills and be able to work in a fast paced environment. Previous experience in the Health or Business Administration field will be considered an asset.

Please forward a cover letter and resume to the address below, or email kim.robinson@hhfht.com

Haliburton Family Medical Centre
7217 Gelert Road
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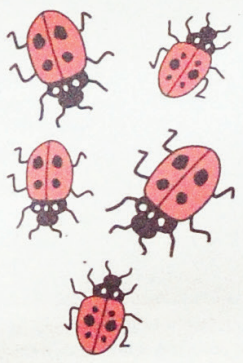

### Ladybug relief!

*Kym Gordon says she's found a solution to her plague of ladybugs*

*See page 12*

### Mother trucker

*With eight kids to care for, Jo-Anne Howard-Carter takes to the road*

*See Second Front*

### Quote of the week

*"We are justifiably upset. We have been taken over forcefully."*

*Vernon LeCraw, page 3*

Allison Taylor/TIMES

### Spring colours

All hats bright and beautiful were welcome at Zion United Church's spring tea last week. As dozens of well-dressed patrons such as Olive Daniels and Bette Mavor nibbled on delicious treats, they were entertained by the Gentlemen of Song. For details of this annual fundraising event, see page 9.

# Shake, rattle and roll

## Highlanders feel the earth move during Saturday's earthquake

by MARTHA PERKINS
*Special to The Times*

In that fuzzy time between sleeping and waking, it takes the brain a few seconds to realize why the entire world is shaking.

"I thought my son Ken was upstairs jumping up and down," Bill Beers says of his rather peculiar experience on Saturday morning. "I thought 'what the...?'"

At the Hunter Creek Estates a few kilometres south of Beers' home on Newcastle Street in Minden, Alf and Moe Briscoe also looked at each other with bewilderment. They were just about to get out of bed at ten to seven when the bed started to shake and their bedroom's sliding glass doors began to rattle.

"Both of us just said 'What was that?'," Alf says.

Turning on their television, they soon found the answer. Commentators were reporting that an earthquake with a reading of 5.5 on the Richter Scale had just reverberated for a good 10 seconds throughout the north-eastern United States and eastern Canada - felt as a gentle rumble all the way to the Highlands. The earthquake's epi-centre was near Lake Champlain in New York.

It soon became the talk of the town on Saturday morning as conversations began with the words "Did you feel it?" Of course, there was also a whole lot of snickering going around

*see* WAS THAT *page 10*

# Minden Food Bank needs help to keep the shelves stocked

by ALLISON TAYLOR
*Times staff*

It isn't at the brink of closing its doors, but the Minden Food Bank is struggling to keep tummies from rumbling this summer.

"Donations are down a bit but we are holding our own," says Barbara Walford-Davis, president of the Food Bank.

After a long, cold winter and a successful Christmas Baskets program, the food bank is falling on hard times this spring. They are trying desperately to keep the shelves stocked. With shortages in donations of both food and money, the bank has had to cut back on some of the items they usually keep stocked on their shelves. Items such as soap, shampoo and feminine products will not have as big a priority as food, unless the donation levels increase a little.

The shelves aren't empty but they are looking a little sparse. Empty boxes and open spaces are evident at first sight.

"Once Christmas was over there was a drop in the amount that people give," she says.

It isn't the end of the road, but the needs of the Food Bank are considerable, she says.

Located on Main Street in Minden near Sunny Variety, where the IGA was once located, the food bank moved last year

*see* FOOD *page 2*

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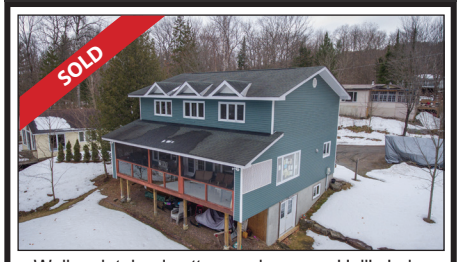


Well maintained cottage or home on Hall's Lake with gorgeous lake views. Lovely landscaped terraced lot with two cabins at water's edge. Main cottage features the first level with a large kitchen with wood cabinets, dining room & fantastic screened porch and cozy living room. Second floor has a huge master with ensuite, family room and additional bedroom. Unfinished basement with walkout for potential to fashion more living space. Detached carport.

### BEECH LAKE
### $659,000

Get that "Lodge Like" feeling at this 3-bdrm, 1 bath, four season cottage. Octagon shaped open concept great room with exposed Douglas fir beams creates warmth and charm. Woodburning fireplace is the main focal point. The full-sized kitchen with island is great for entertaining. Western exposure provides fabulous sunset views. 131 feet of frontage with a mixture of sand and rock shoreline. Cantilever dock or in your shaded picnic area with hammock. Great waterfront privacy.

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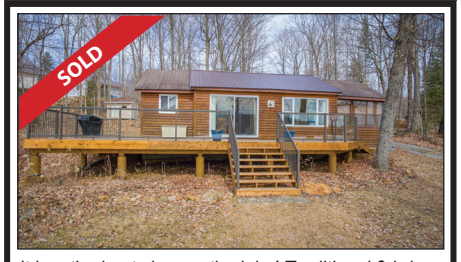


It has the best view on the lake! Traditional 3-bdrm, 1 bath cottage. Large windows, compact kitchen with great layout for cooking. Walk-out to wrap around deck with glass railings. Large sunroom. Pretty lake views. Detached single garage. Nice level sunny lot with a gentle slope to the lake with lawn area and firepit.

### DRAG RIVER
### $449,000

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